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The Honorable Henry Waxman
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Representative Waxman:

Thank you for your letter regarding the international climate change negotiations in Kyoto, Japan. The President asked that I reply to your letter directly.

As you know, the negotiations in Kyoto began as an enormous challenge. By the time the negotiations were over, the United States had come away with the beginning of a sound and strong climate change agreement. Part of this success was due to your involvement at the negotiations. Your participation was invaluable. In addition, the questions you provided the President on various technical issues will continue to be useful as we iron out the details of the agreement and respond to critics as well as friends of the agreement.

Again, thank you for your letter. We want to continue to work with you as this process moves forward.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Kathleen A. McGinty".

Kathleen A. McGinty
Chairman

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